

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In the **PATENT APPLICATION** of:

Naoaki Tani

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AND DISPLAY APPARATUS USING  
THE ILLUMINATION APPARATUS

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**Examiner:** Not Yet Known

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Further to Applicant's Duty of Disclosure pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.56 and 1.97(b) (3), Applicant wishes to bring to the Examiner's attention the material cited on the enclosed PTO-1449 form. Copies of all the cited documents are enclosed.

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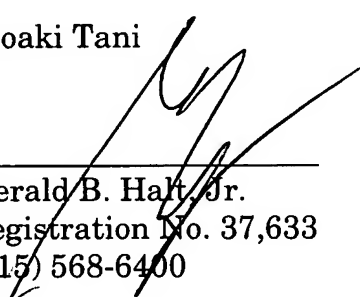


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It is respectfully requested that the Examiner consider these documents and return an initialed copy of the PTO-1449 form indicating his/her consideration of the cited materials.

Respectfully submitted,

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